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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title: NOVEL AGLYCON DAMMARANE SAPOGENINS, THEIR USE AS  
ANTI-CANCER AGENTS, AND A PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SAME  
Serial No.: 09/982018  
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Examiner: Qazi, Sabiha Naim Art Unit: 1616  
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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

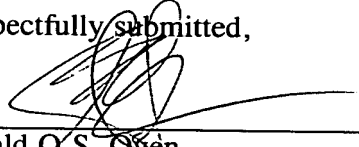
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant hereby respectfully petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action mailed 12 February 2003 for a period of one month from 12 May 2003 to 12 June 2003.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-1037 in the amount of **US\$55** in payment of the extension fee as prescribed by 37 CFR §1.17(a)(1). A response to an Official Action is being submitted simultaneously herewith. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 02-1037. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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